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## A SHORT SPEECH.

DELIVERED BY PRESIDENT PRATHER AT THE MEETING OF THE NATIONAL ARBITRATION COMMITTEE.

### TEXAS VS. PEACE.

The meeting of the National Arbitration Committee in Washington, D. C., on January 12th, was said to be probably the most important meeting of representative men that has been held in Washington for a quarter of a century. It represented not only the leading diplomats of this country, but also those men who are leaders in the financial world, in manufacture, in education, and both labor and capital. The conference resulted in the adoption of resolutions recommending that the United States enter into a treaty with Great Britain to submit all questions involving international differences and disputes, as far as practicable, to an impartial board of arbitration similar to The Hague. Such a treaty already exists between Great Britain and France.

Among the representatives at the educational lines present were Dr. Jordan, president of Leland Stanford University, and from Texas Hon. Geo. W. Brackenridge, chairman of the Board of Regents; Hon. W. M. Prather, President of the University of Texas, and Hon. Edward F. Harris, of Galveston.

After the resolutions were adopted recommending a treaty between the United States and Great Britain, a committee was appointed to present same to the Senate of the United States and to the President. On the committee to present the resolution to the President of the United States Major Brackenridge and President Prather were appointed. But on account of Major Brackenridge returning immediately home, he did not act on the committee.

While the committee had retired to prepare the report five-minute speeches were called for, and quite a number responded. A few days ago Hon. Jno. W. Foster, chairman of the executive committee of the National Arbitration Conference, sent to President Prather the stenographic report of his remarks before the conference. Through the courtesy of President Prather The Texan has been able to obtain a copy of the same for publication.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen: Perhaps you are as much surprised as I am, that a man from Texas should be called upon to make a speech for peace. (Laughter.) Texans have been a fighting people and are proud of their glorious history. They gave to the world in their defense of the Alamo, where not one was left to tell the story of their dying valor, the sublimest exhibition of heroic courage in the history of the world. When the President of the United States (Mr. Roosevelt) proposed to raise his regiment of Rough Riders, which were to win new glories for the flag of our Nation, he stated that it was his desire to form them under the shadow of the Alamo.

Today, as President of the University of Texas, I come to this conference with one whom we are proud to recognize as chairman of our Board of Regents, Hon. Geo. W. Brackenridge, the leading financier of our section, who also comes from beneath the shade of the Alamo. But we come upon a mission of peace; we come as representatives of the educational interests, not only of Texas but also of our common country, to contribute our influence to the success of this arbitration conference, feeling that this meeting is itself a part of that great educational movement that looketh to the peace of the nations. (Applause.)

Texas has ever stood for universal education as a political and economic measure. As early as 1836, in their declaration of independence, the people of Texas declared that the failure of the government to provide for the education of its children was a ground for revolution, and announced that it was "an axiom of political science that unless a people are educated and enlightened it is idle to expect a continuance of civil liberty or the capacity for self-government."

Today every publication issued by the

University of Texas bears upon it, as its master thought, a sentence from the message of President Lamar to the Texas congress of 1839: "Educated mind is the guardian genius of democracy. It is the only dictator that freedom acknowledges, and the only security that free men desire." This is the only basis for an enlightened and virtuous democracy. If it be true that the idea of an educated democracy is the overshadowing thought of modern times, well may the Goddess of Liberty, with torch in hand enlightening the nations of the world, typify America.

In this great movement, looking to the education of mankind, to the pursuance of peaceful methods in the settlement of all international differences, and which movement I believe to be the greatest ever undertaken by man, Texas gladly joins, since it is logically a work of economic education. Standing upon this platform with the honored secretary of this meeting, Mr. Thomas Nelson Page, a college friend who sat with me at the feet of the greatest soldier of this country, and who, when he had graduated with such distinction in all the arts of war, voluntarily took upon himself in the crowning years of his noble life, the training of young men of his loved Southland in the arts of peace. When I recall this greatest warrior of modern times I feel that if he were living and here today his voice would be for peace. It is of Robert E. Lee that I speak. (Applause.)

Here, too, would stand that great soldier to whom Lee surrendered, and upon whose majestic tomb on the banks of the Hudson is cut in imperishable marble that beautiful inscription, worthy of him and worthy of that great occasion, "Let us have peace." (Applause.)

### Co-Op. Meeting.

The co-op. meeting last Friday was much more largely attended than any similar meeting in the history of the

Co-op. A new constitution was adopted and will be printed before the end of the session. In accordance with its provisions a new Board of Directors was elected, as follows: President W. L. Prather, ex officio; Hon. T. W. Gregory from the Board of Regents; Hon. Clarence Miller from the Alumni; Judge Jno. C. Townes from the Law Faculty; Prof. T. U. Taylor from the Engineering Faculty; Mr. G. C. F. Butte from the Academic Faculty; Mr. Ed. Crane and Mr. J. E. Hackett from the Law; Mr. C. F. K. von Blucher and Mr. J. Mitchell from the Engineers; Mr. L. W. Parrish and Mr. Johnson from the Academics.

Upon motion of Mr. Butte Dr. Benedict was directed to appoint a committee of three to take proper steps for the incorporation of the Co-op. This committee is to be as follows: Mr. G. C. F. Butte, Mr. J. E. Hackett and Mr. C. W. Ramsdell.

The condition of the Co-op. society was then explained. The total sales so far this year are about \$9800, a gain of about \$1600 over the same date last year. It was shown that the Post Office and the Co-op. have nothing in common except the place of business and clerks, and that the Co-op. is actually paying part of the expenses of the Post Office out of its own profits, the amount appropriated for the Post Office by the United States government not being sufficient. The profits of the Co-op. go for the following items, which are given in order of magnitude: Salaries, loss from dead stock, addition to assets, rebates, taxes, and various other items.

The difficulty of handling the mail satisfactorily arriving, as it does, so irregularly, and the delays in getting books were referred to. Some of these difficulties seem to be hard to remedy but it is hoped that further progress can be made, making the book store a greater and greater convenience to the student body.

Financially the Co-op. is in a sound condition and in three or four years it ought to be possible to reduce the selling price to an average of about ten per cent above cost. An annual selling price inventory is taken and a selling price accession book is maintained. These, with the cash register, enable a check to be kept on leakages without an undue amount of labor.

## INTER-COLLEGIATE DEBATE.

TEXAS LOCKS HORNS WITH MISSOURI AND TULANE THIS YEAR.

### WE WILL WIN.

The inter-collegiate debates of the University of Texas this year will be with Tulane University and with the University of Missouri. Tulane comes to Austin; the University of Texas goes to Missouri. In each of the debates the University of Texas is represented by able men, and confidently expects to be victorious.

The debate with Tulane University is the first of a new series, and the second debate with that institution to be held in Austin. In the three debates of the series closed last year Texas gained two, one of which was in Austin, the other in New Orleans. Tulane will send her strongest men, in order to retrieve the defeats of the past. Texas will be defended by J. P. Luton and Thos. G. Milliken. Neither man was upon the debating team last year, but each is a veteran speaker. Luton was the representative of Texas in the Southern oratorical contest last year, and in the recent contest won the Gregory and Batts' prize in debate, and the title "Champion debater of the University." Milliken has not offered as a candidate in debating or oratorical contests in the University of Texas before this year, but is by no means a new man. Before entering the University of Texas he made a reputation at Southwestern University as an orator and debater. He represented Southwestern in the State Oratorical Association. The Tulane debate will be held in the University Auditorium on the night of Friday, April 23.

The debate with the University of Missouri will be the first time the Tigers and the Longhorns have met upon the intellectual gridiron. Missouri has one or two other debates, but will not so far underestimate Texas as not to put up her best men. Texas will send W. A. Walne and Eugene P. Locke. Both these men, like the other team the University is putting up, are new men; but like the other two men both are strong. Walne is one of the readiest, most logical and most forceful debaters Texas has ever had. Before entering the University he won many honors at Baylor University, having upon one occasion represented Baylor in a debate against Texas. Locke, the other Texas representative, is also a new man and a strong one. As a deep thinker and as a speaker whose words go straight to the hearts of his audience, he has had few superiors in the University of Texas. He was chosen by one of the three judges in the recent Gregory and Batts' contest as the best debater of the eight contestants. The Missouri debate will be held at the University of Missouri at Columbus, on the night of Friday, April 29.

One interesting thing about the two debates is that the same question is to be debated in each, and that the University has the affirmative in one debate and the negative in the other. The question is, "Resolved, that the history of labor unions for the past twenty years shows that they are a disadvantage to the country." In the Tulane debate, Texas has the affirmative side; in the Missouri debate, Texas has the negative.

The University of Texas does not at all underestimate its opponents—it never does that on the gridiron, on the track, or in the forum; but in view of the unbroken chain of victories in the past two years, and of the fact that stronger men than ever before are to bear up the banner of orange and white, it is only reasonable to expect to win both debates again this year.

**A New Railing.**  
Representatives of an Eastern iron fence firm have been here for several days conferring with the librarian in regard to a new railing, which he will soon have built. It seems that in spite of his warnings and admonitions, and even in spite of the beautiful wooden railing which now separates the books in the library from the students, some lower classmen have tread, with their unhallowed feet, through the portals, and have actually studied there once or twice. So our librarian is going to build an iron railing, reaching to the ceiling, and extending entirely across the room, to prevent a repetition of such offenses. There will be no doors or gateways, and the librarians, who will have to come in at the rear of the building, will hand the books out to waiting students through little windows. All of which teaches us that the spirit of improvement is among us, and will never leave until everything dear to the students is destroyed.

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The following editorial was handed to us last week and we take great pleasure in publishing it.

## OMNES VIA AD ROMANI.

1.  
It was a dark and damp place, full of pitfalls and snares. She gasped for breath and her hair stood on end with fright as she stumbled along. She could scarce remember how she happened to be there and consciousness was about to desert her when she reached the landing and realized that she had only passed up the stairs from the basement to the first floor.

2.  
Where are you going, my pretty maid? I'm going into darkness, sir, she said. May I go with you, my pretty maid? You may, kind sir, she said, for I'm afraid.  
(Mrs. Kirby, as they emerge.)

Where have you been my blushing maid? On the horrid stairway of the basement, she said.  
On the heavenly stairway his eyes betrayed.  
There was at least one ray of light o'ershed that shade.

3.  
There are eight or nine steps from the bottom to the landing, I invariably forget which it is. Don't try to mount them in the morning unless you know the number or unless you have time to smother up and moralize over the advantage to be gained if one could only become a phosphorescent animal.

## LET THERE BE LIGHT.

There is a stairway in the western wing of the main building that leads down from Mrs. Kirby's room to the basement. Stygian darkness rules supreme in that passageway, and many are the complaints that can be heard rising out of the depths of the basement along there. To a stranger such outcries might summon to his mind's eye deep, dark, dungeons, chains, captives, etc., and maybe there would not be any one around to tell him that those cries were only the grand finale to an unexpected toboggan slide down that dark stairway by which many a student, mistaking a dark airy shadow for a solid step, resorted to to get through the under world.

One small incandescent light, Edison sixteen candle power, would be sufficient to insure safe pilotage down those steps. Prof. Beck—see if you can't come down to the practical and hang an electric globe. A hanging garden effect might be introduced to soothe your aesthetic taste.

## OUR CUTE FRESHMEN.

Great heavens! but you Freshmen do worry us a great deal. You are so loud mouthed and your unripe apple ways are so very absurd. You are really so green that we think at times that you have come straight from Ireland. Why didn't you learn something before you came here? If you will just be a little more quiet and not make so much noise people on the outside will learn a whole lot sooner that you are University students. Of course, we realize that you know infinitely more than any upper classman in college. In fact, many of you should be teaching classes instead of acting as students. You are all so wise that Aristotle would turn green with envy if he should see you. You are all handsome and heroes, and every co-ed in school is dead in love with you. It's really a shame—you cruel, heartless heartsmashers. You are the most incandescent social lights in the Varsity Four Hundred. You can drink beer through a straw and stay sober as a judge. As a matter of fact, you are really wonders—nit! You are so green that you could stand with safety on the Burning Deck and never get scorched.

Now we upper classmen realize your manifold virtues. We know that you are all scholarship students and that you have come here to teach us a few things and we really appreciate the interest you take in us. But we only ask that you not be so loud mouthed about it. And now, in conclusion, we have one word more for you "green ones." Coming as you do from the protecting wing of your families—thrown featherless, so to speak, here among us—we have taken occasion to offer a few suggestions. We hope that you will not take what we have said in ill-humor, for we have meant it for your good. All that we ask is that you will keep the change and remain quiet.

## A QUESTION ANSWERED.

It is possibly true that each and every student of this University, with a few possible exceptions, is the brightest man in school. Yes, it may be possible, but we seriously doubt it. As a matter of fact it is time that a large number of students of this University were realizing the absolutely true though sad fact that the other fellow has a little sense and judgment. All the gray matter in the world is not confined to the student body of the University of Texas by a long shot. If some of us would bear in mind the fact that we are here to learn and not to teach everything would run along smoothly.

To illustrate our point, suppose we take an example. Last fall at a meeting of the Dramatic Club a play was selected and the parts were tentatively cast by a man of ability and experience in such matters. Now it is reasonable to suspect that this man knew what he was doing and was well qualified to cast these parts. But, nay, not so. One of the students present at this meeting arose and suggested that the casting of parts be deferred until each member of the club had read the play, suggested and expressed his opinion about the matter. In other words the man in charge didn't know his business but the members of the student body were better qualified to pass judgment. And just here is the germ of the whole trouble. It is time that the student body was realizing the fact that it is not the pivot around which the University revolves. You students expect that people will run after you and plead with you on bended knees to come to rehearsals. Each one of you thinks that he ought to have the leading part, and the man in charge should be only too glad to give it to you. There is no denying the fact that you are conceited, and it is time that you were changing. That's what is the matter with the Dramatic Club if you wish to know. If you will only realize the fact that people of ability and experience know what is best you will get along much better. If you will only make some sacrifice, come out to rehearsals and work; you will soon have a Dramatic Club. So quit kicking and get to work.

## YOU.

Perhaps we wouldn't object so much that this art of vandalism is growing except for the fact that more of it is coming to light. You know it is characteristic of human nature that when a person gets what he asks for, he usually feels like kicking himself for not asking for more; and some of the students are not at all to be classed as exceptions to this rule. Not only are they not contented to cut up magazines and publications, or to mark them all up, but they must even resort to the use of library books as text books, and mark them. We cite an example by the wayside. Some one is using the different volumes of the "Biblioteca de Autores Espanoles" as a text in advanced Spanish studies, and has written his translations in the book with indelible pencil. The doctored books look more like high school Latin books, mathematically worked out, than they do like copies of the best Spanish literature in our library.

The Texan would like to suggest that such gross abuses of the library books, and especially the valuable books, be stopped immediately, if not sooner, and heartily indorses any measures to prohibit it.

If this unpardonable practice is not stopped soon the student who is guilty will be accorded a nice write up in The Texan, and his autograph in box car letters will head the article.

## DEAD SERIOUS.

And still we have no newspaper rack. Somebody in this institution is responsible for the removal of that rack, and whoever he may be he is being and has

been roundly "cussed" ever since our newspapers were taken from us. To judge this University by this one act would not be, to say the least, a very flattering one. Preach general culture to your classes, professor, instructor, president, or whatever title you may hold; magnify the advantages of keeping up with everyday events; teach them what it means to live in the present. After you have succeeded in arousing your pupils, discontinue your leading periodicals. Do not let them find too easily the information that they seek, for if such were the case, knowledge would become cheap and thereby unappreciated.

Yet do you not think that you are encouraging the student to live in the past? Go into the library, run over the magazines on the "mag." shelves, and what do you see? Several magazines of the best in the country. They are in the right place. Look further; here are two or three of the German variety; there a couple published in French. You will even find one or two in Latin and Greek. Now these magazines are all right. We have nothing to say against them as magazines. What we do object to, though, is to see the authorities paying out money for some periodicals which can only be of interest to a few while we, the hungry multitude, go unfed. We do not want any of this German and French stuff. What we desire is plain, wholesome food which comes to us from the outside world through the newspapers.

Cut out some of those magazines which, compared to the daily papers, are useless. Take the money and subscribe for the papers we used to have, and for heaven's sake do not put them back of the railing.

If you learned gentlemen, whoever you may be, can not give up your beloved German and French, we have one other suggestion to offer. There has been an electric light placed at the front entrance to the main building. We can dispense with that, since we have got along fairly well without it up to this time. Use the money which you are now paying for illumination of the front porch, for newspapers. We would appreciate an illumination of our minds concerning the Japo-Russian war a great deal more than those couples appreciate the illumination of those steps, which have made such convenient seats heretofore. What we want is our newspaper rack.

## A Picnic Royal.

A holiday with its attendant respite from the daily grind of work is a welcome event any time, but how about a holiday with an excursion and a college picnic in the most beautiful site in Texas? Well, that's what we are going to have on Wednesday, April 21, San Jacinto Day.

With the exception of our little celebration on March 2, our holidays here are nothing but rest days. President Prather has determined to establish customs and traditions for these days just like he has established the observation of Texas Independence Day. He started this move for a picnic and has found that it takes gloriously with everybody.

Col. Harry Landa, that genial prince of good fellows, has tendered the use of the celebrated Landa Park at New Braunfels for the occasion. A more desirable place could not have been found in the State of Texas.

Arrangements are being made for a special train to leave Austin and to return at our own pleasure. It is only fifty miles from Austin to New Braunfels, so the rates will be almost nominal. Everybody can afford to go—or to put it better, nobody can afford not to go.

Manager Frazier is trying to arrange a baseball game with the San Antonio League team for this occasion.

Everybody knows of the fine dancing pavilions of the park. Think of it, there will be the opportunity to dance all day and into the night.

A representative of The Texan called on President Prather and interviewed him about the event. He says:

"Yes, we are going to have a jolly big picnic on San Jacinto Day. I have long wished for more occasions when the whole student body could get together and know each other better. It occurred to me that a picnic in Col. Landa's Park would be enjoyable to all University people, so I wrote him about it and in reply he says he will feel it quite an honor to have the University crowd come down and use his park and insure them a good time."

"I trust that every student and teacher will be able to go on that day and cast aside all care and vexation from the regular grind of their work and will get better acquainted and enjoy themselves so that they will come back re-

freshed and take up work with renewed zeal and interest."

It is to be a basket picnic and in keeping with this idea Matron Adrian Pool has sent in a requisition for an extra baggage car for the B. Hall baskets. He says he is going to take all of B. Hall's dining department except the tables and the cooking ranges, all the cooks included.

The Varsity Band is going and will give concerts in the pavilion. Joe Kearbey and his assistants will see to it that everybody within five miles of the railway will hear the "Hullabaloo."

On arrival at New Braunfels, the train will be met by those distinguished New Braunfeldians, Herbert Henne, Hanno Faust and Richard Charlemagne Pantmuhl, who will act as marshals of the day and see that everybody views the sights of the city and has his wants provided for.

Be sure to set your plans for the day and make a date with your girl right away.

If there is one thing of which S. W. U. is proud, it is her baseball team. In the few years we have been allowed intercollegiate baseball, we have won an enviable record. This year we have even greater hopes than we have ever had. With Ales in the box, and Robbins behind the bat, we have no fear but that all opponents will go down in defeat. Mr. Graves, who will manage the team this year is making arrangements to secure a first class coach, and our prospect for a winning team is indeed bright.

The regents of the State University of Colorado recently authorized the establishment of a four year's course in chemical engineering in the school of applied science. At the same meeting arranged for the dedication of their new library building and merged the academic degrees into a B. A., as we have here in Texas.

The forthcoming Tulane-Texas debate is a very live topic at Tulane, it seems. They are making preparations to win this time. "The Texans seems from our own experience with them, to be born orators," says the Olive and Blue, yet Milliken and Luton can expect foes worthy of their steel.

F. G. Folsom, who coached the famous Dartmouth football team which won over Harvard this year is a resident of Boulder, Colorado, and an ex-coach of the University of Colorado.

Seventy-five men entered for the cross-country run in the University of Colorado. "C's" are awarded to the men who make the best time.

Mrs. W. H. Crocker, of San Francisco, has given \$5,000 to the University of California for Archaeological work in Old Mexico.

## FINAL BALL COMMITTEES HAVE BEEN ANNOUNCED

PRESIDENT SINGLETON MAKES HIS SELECTION—TO BE A BRILLIANT SOCIAL EVENT—DATE OF BALL THE EIGHTH OF JUNE.

The final ball of the University of Texas this year, which is always the crowning event in the closing of the University for the summer, will, from present indications, eclipse in social brilliancy all of its predecessors.

Albert O. Singleton, who has been named as final ball president, has appointed his various committees, who will have charge of this important affair. The date of the ball has been fixed for June 8.

The following are the various committees as announced yesterday by President Singleton:

Supervisory, Chairman—G. Drummond Hunt.

Finance—Seth S. Searcy, chairman; Joe Kearbey, Joel Watson, Walter Amster, Fred Fisher, George Baskett, T. M. Rector, W. P. McGinnis, A. L. Calhoun, Lewis Johnson, Chester Terrell, W. F. Buckley, C. T. Poul, R. G. Watson, L. E. Ney, W. W. McDonald, S. R. Ashby, Dexter Hamilton, Lee Forsgard, Bob Edwards, E. H. Lumpkins, Bruce Teagarten, L. L. Tipton, H. E. Trippett, John Townes.

Reception—Edward Crane, chairman; Alex. Pope, J. F. McClendon, Rich. Johnson, Webster McEvoy, R. C. Sewall, G. L. Averitt, Felix Bramblett, J. S. O'Keefe, Hugh Lathrop, H. Etheridge, L. D. Brown, A. S. Blankenship, Frank Lanham, Dallas Scarborough, Graham Dowdell, W. R. King, Walter Walne, George Shelton, W. S. Pope, E. B. Broussard, H. B. Matthews, Frank Bailey, Jack McCain, Frank

Hicks, George Bringhurst, Crow Wright, Dick O. Terrell, N. B. Taylor, T. M. Archer, C. W. Abbott, L. H. Henderson, Grover Jones.

Invitation—William J. Powell, chairman; Howard Key, C. W. Weiler, Sam Luton, H. T. Fletcher, Albert Robertson, E. L. Gilcreest, L. W. Baskett, J. J. Averitt, G. M. Cox, G. P. Willis, Rosco Golden, Walter Stephens, L. N. Bromberg, Amos Judd, Roy Watkin, W. N. Camp, E. E. McGintis, H. L. Stone, A. B. Lacy, W. S. Davidson, R. A. Ward, G. M. Sergeant, George Edwards, E. C. O'Neill, W. P. Hamblen, F. Walden, John LaPrelle, McFall Kearbey, Thomas B. Botts, B. Y. Burgher, M. Kleberg, J. M. Eskridge.

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Floor—Clinton Brown, chairman; Coke K. Burns, Fritz Lanham, Joe B. Hatchett, H. M. Frazier, Sam Netherly, George Wright, W. J. Bowen, S. M. Adams, Billy Blocker, J. W. Wayman, Tom Millican, Alfred Scott, Hugh Barton, G. V. Maverick, A. Deussen, Byrd White, A. Pool, Wallace Tyler, Harry Steiger, Murray Jones, Dan Hall, A. F. Weisberg, Kyria Thrasher, Marris McLain, Frank Scheuber, Guy Blount, J. P. Dinsmore, Wiley Clarkson, C. J. Nibbe, Harvey A. Turner, E. P. Locke.

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## SONGS FROM THE STUDENT BODY

Who Is Buzz? That's the Question!—  
More About the Co-Op—A New  
Railway.

Who Is Buzz?

Editor of The Texan—Dear Sir: Although I have no desire to rival the pugnacious outbreak of the gentleman who dishonors the name of "Buzz," I should feel ashamed of myself if I did not reply to his scurrilous attack upon a time-honored college custom as carried out by the Junior Engineers. For his benefit I do not reply, but in order to dispel from the minds of the general student body some of the facts he has thrust upon it in his haste to belittle class enthusiasm, I wish to make a few pertinent observations.

No doubt among those dried up, clammy specimens of manhood whose life is one laborious grind, the mere suggestion of a song causes a shiver of apprehensive shock to creep down their fossilized spines. As for college yells, their aestheticism, organisms are so sensible and

nerve-enriched that they quiver for hours in their glacial dens when they have experienced the rudeness of a crowd of yelling college boys. The Junior Engineers would welcome indeed any such movement "for the suppression of these engineers and their hideous new song," as it would only show on whose side the real University sentiment is, that is, excluding the unsullied thoughts of those men of "taste and feeling." In their effort to keep up a little college spirit in their class, the Junior Engineers should deserve the commendation of every right thinking college man, but they ask nothing of the students, not even to be let alone, for they can take care of themselves. Yet they fail to appreciate such points as "Buzz" chooses to make on their conduct. Not desiring to see the insane asylum overwhelmed with patients, they entertain grave fears for your correspondent unless he throws some of his aesthetics overboard and gets in touch with student sentiment. He is in a fair way to rival Elbert Hubbard as a college "knocker."

Evidently he is some lean, cadaverous denizen of B Hall, whose dyspeptic rant calls to mind spectres of sour biscuits and half-cooked steak, to whose very soul the thoughts of a meal brings its accompanying ills of digestion. The hideous nightmare of a "jangling old cowbell," as he calls it, causes his whole stomach to revolt. To the average student no call is sicker than the dinner bell, be it in any form or shape. Then his inner capacity longs for substantiation to fill the void, and his feelings are in no condition to quarrel with the bell-ringer. If it is "positively unendurable," let him seek another hash joint.

"SEAWALL"

### More About the Co-Op.

Editor Texan—Dear Sir: With much approbation did I read in your worthy paper the mild article signed "Gling Glong," and which referred to the post-office connected with the University.

It is a serious question. Probably the utter lack of service is not so much a thief of valuable study time, but more so on account of the strain upon the mental and physical forces of the eager freshman anxiously waiting a kind, soothing word from mother, the discomfiture of the "jolly good fellow," waiting for money from home, or the incessant longing of the gallant lover sighing daily for the answer to the question, which he was too timid to personally ask during Christmas, or the answer to the question he was too afraid to ask her father.

But aside from this lighter (and darker) side of life, there is a stronger element easily apparent, and that is business form. As a slight illustration: Last Monday I waited eight minutes, by the watch, before I was asked about my mail (pardon me, I do not belong to any of the classes enumerated above), and the time thus consumed was used by "the one man" in the office in selling two students a couple of tablets, and accommodating another with a blank check, incidentally answering a few questions about the extremely mild weather, progress of several varsity politicians, the status of the Russia-Japan controversy, and—but what's the use of enumerating the possibilities of the coop? Suffice to say, they can deliver the goods in the hot air line in well assorted packages, especially to the other fellow, when you are waiting for your mail.

The statement by Mr. Glong explained that the office was a salaried one, but I venture it is not, that is, strictly speaking, but it is an office on a commission basis, such as many other of

Uncle Sam's smaller postoffices, and I venture, with assurity, that the results are much better than in most of the postoffices in the many, many "one-horse towns" dotting lightly, but profusely, the big map of Texas.

Better service is due us: There is no reason why the coop should not (and it does) get the hearty support of the students, for it is a legitimate, practical undertaking, but there is still less reason why they should not have enough salesmen to attend to the trade.

As for the students, the renovated, upholstered, grand salon de magnificence, stair case on the west side would do excellently, or an annex on the roof would be quite a pleasant retreat for the postoffice. If there is any advantage in its present location, assuredly it is obviously the benefit of the coop, inasmuch as the students are brought to it. Thus the postoffice is a good paying, cheap ad. (a good but infrequent combination), and admitting this fact lends force in desiring, requesting, imploring, demanding better service.

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## BIBLE CHAIR

## MOVEMENT.

## WHAT THE FACULTY THINKS ABOUT THE UNDERTAKING.

## A FEW INTERVIEWS.

It seems that much interest is being manifested in the Bible Chair movement. We have been unable to obtain interviews from every member of the faculty, but last week a Texan reporter obtained the following comments from the following men, and we take great pleasure in printing them. The Bible Chair movement is a great and worthy undertaking, and The Texan is glad to support it. We sincerely hope that it will meet with success.

Dr. Garrison, when approached, gave out the following:

"If the Bible Chair is put under the right sort of supervision the establishment of it will be a very useful thing."

"I am often surprised to see what a lack of information concerning the Bible there is among the students. The habit of Bible reading seems to be going out, and this is very unfortunate for this generation."

"There is no literature that has served as long as Biblical literature to assist in the acquisition of a good English style. Any movement that looks towards the revival of education toward the study of the Bible, if carried on under the proper conditions, always commends itself to me."

Dr. Mezes is favorable to the movement. He said in part:

"There is no question but that it will be a good thing. The University can not, of course, obviously do very much in the direction of advancing the religious life of the students, but I think that as individuals all the members of the University will warmly recommend any movement that promises to be as helpful as this Bible Chair movement does."

"I do not know the details, and could not, of course, be sure that the plans followed elsewhere would be applicable, without modifications; here, but as far as I have heard of them, those plans have always been sensible and have been carried out with an eye on the requirements of the local situation in all cases, and I have no doubt that the same will be done here, and if so, the undertaking would meet with success and prove signally beneficial to the students and to the University."

Professor Gray, in speaking of the movement, said in part:

"Two years ago at Columbia, Earl Hall, a very nicely furnished building, was established and is now the headquarters for the religious work of that institution."

"It has proven itself in the two years of its existence to be one of the most useful, helpful and wholesome features of University life. Any movement in any institution in which the religious forces are organized in some definite plan is necessarily in its way, like Earl Hall, constantly helpful."

"It seems to me that this movement is a practical exemplification of the value of just such a building as is here proposed. The students are found there constantly, and the tone of the very building is one which gives pleasantness to the serious side of social life in the institution more than any one had ever hoped for it."

"The erection of a similar building would have the same delightful and beneficial results, and influence on the life of the University that Earl Hall has had on the student life at Columbia. If it should do so it would be one of the most desirable things that could possibly be contributed to our university life."

The following interview from Dr. Sutton clearly shows the advisability of establishing a Bible Chair here. Dr. Sutton said:

"Texas has no established church, yet she in many ways encourages religion. For example, clergymen are exempt from jury service, church property is not taxed, and it is no slight offense to disturb religious worship. The great Frenchman, De Tocqueville, who, early in the nineteenth century, visited our country and afterward wrote a work upon our institutions, was correct in saying that, although there is no state religion in America, no ground exists for believing there is no religion in the state."

"If the State is friendly to the church, then the State University should occupy

no inimical attitude toward any worthy educational institution of the church. Especially should the university welcome the establishing of a Bible Chair near her own campus, for the students attracted by the religious instruction of the one would undoubtedly become worthy workers in the academic schools of the other. Experience has proven that theological students, far from being an incubus upon a higher institution of learning, form a most desirable element in the student body."

"The Bible Chair, established where its young men can at the same time enjoy the advantages of the University, will thus be relieved of a large annual expense to furnish instruction in several subjects, such as English History, Economics, Oratory and Greek. Perhaps even a greater benefit to be derived is that the young theologues, coming daily in contact with their fellows who are preparing for many different vocations, will gain a truer and deeper insight into human nature and human needs, and will not be overcome by that dehumanizing spirit which is born of the sole and continuous study of other-worldly things."

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5. The causes of the panic of 1893.
6. What forms of education should be advised for the elevation of wage-earners from a lower to a higher industrial status in the United States?
7. What method of education is best suited for men entering upon trade and commerce?

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The ownership of the copyright of successful studies will vest in the donors, and it is expected that, without precluding the use of these papers as thesis for higher degrees, they will cause them to be issued in some permanent form.

Competitors are advised that the studies should be thorough, expressed in good English, and not needlessly expanded. They should be inscribed with an assumed name, the year when the bachelor's degree was received, and the institution which conferred the degree, or in which he is studying, and accompanied by a sealed envelope giving the real name and address of the competitor. The papers should be sent on or before June 1, 1905, to J. Laurence Laughlin, Esq., University of Chicago, Box 145, Faculty Exchange, Chicago, Illinois.

## LOCAL.

Bob Neil now a practicing attorney, of San Antonio, was here last Monday.

Gillett is in San Antonio having his eyes treated, but will return by February 25th.

The following men have been pledged to the S. S. S.: Ned Shards, C. F. K. von Blucher, H. D. Mendenhall.

Mr. Selden Leavell of last year's law class, was here a few days last week.

"Crip" Shreiner, the big ranchman from Kerrville, was here a few days last week.

Jake Philpowsky, formerly of class of '05, was here on a short visit last week. Jakie is now the official court reporter for the Ninth judicial district of the State, with headquarters at Houston.

George Maverick, who has left the 'Varsity on account of his health, will return on February 25th, when the Senior Laws take up a new subject.

Everybody is having their picture taken now.

There are about five candidates in the student body for the State Legislature: J. P. Barrett of Fannin County, for the Senate; J. E. Hackett of Falls County, for the House of Representatives, and the rest have not been officially announced as yet.

Messrs. Carl Hartman and Will P. Brady, the present superintendent of public instruction in Travis County, are candidates for the office, subject to the Democratic primaries in July. Some of them are politicians in the University and out of it, too.

The Rusk Literary Society held its preliminary contest Saturday night to choose six representatives to enter the Du Bois contest. Those selected are: E. B. Griffin, J. P. Luton, "Mogul" Robinson, J. Clough, D. A. Frank and M. Wolf.

The S. S. S. sorority initiated the following Junior Engineers Saturday night, January 6. W. D. P. Warren, J. R. Parrish and L. W. Forsgard. After the journey over the hot sands a "Dutch lunch" was served to the "sisters" at the Uptown Garden.

Among those who were entertained by Mr. Curtis in the gymnasium last Saturday, were Miss Edens of Dallas, Misses Elen Focke and Mazie Clark of Galveston, Misses Gertrude Rowe, Jennie Bickler, Mary Rosenberg, Lottie Ilesie, Lilla Denman, Misses Wright, Bailey and Thomas, Mrs. Test, and Miss Jarvis and her father, who was here on a short visit. Real gymnastic stunts were the attractive features for the occasion.

There seems to be a perfect mania for new organizations around the University. The latest to organize is a band of farmers under the classic title of "Rusticus" ses. N. J. Marshall is Landlord; D. A. Frank, Chief Overseer; J. F. Cox, Timekeeper; J. F. Moyes, Storekeeper; G. A. Odum, Milkman; R. A. Powell, Cornshucker; O. D. Wright, Pigslopper; Gardiner, Roustabout; Simpson, Waterboy; W. S. Pope, Teamster. Besides these there are about twenty plow-hands, known officially as "Reubens." The motto of the farmers is, "Down with all frusts; oppose all musts; avoid all busts." The organization met at its "plantation" last Friday and had its picture taken for the cactus.

## VARSITY SOCIAL SWIRL.

The Nalle-Borden wedding, the morning of Wednesday the tenth, was one of great interest to 'Varsity people. The wedding took place at St. David's. It was an affair of great simplicity, for no flowers were used even on the altar. The bride was dressed in a pongee suit with hat to match, and she was followed by one attendant, her maid of honor, Miss Mona House. Mr. Ed. Bewley, of Fort Worth, was best man. The bride was given away by her brother Mr. Ernest Nalle. After the ceremony a luncheon, laid for the wedding party and Mr. and Mrs. Wat Gregory, was served at Mrs. Gregory's. Mr. and Mrs. Borden will be at home in Houston.

On the evening of Thursday the 11th, the "Spinsters" gave a most delightful leap-year dance at Eight Street Hall. The hall was most attractively decorated, the music excellent and the hostesses charming. Altogether the dance was one of the successes of the season.

Saturday evening the Phi Delta Theta's gave a Valentine party at their chapter house, and everyone proclaimed a royal good time there.

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